

1. A method of, via a graphical user interface (GUI), annotating picture information for pictures in a picture database, said method comprising the steps of:

2. The method in Claim 1, wherein said metadata comprises social information.

4. The method in Claim 2, wherein said social information comprises temporal aspects of said group of pictures with respect to capture.

6. The method in Claim 2, wherein said social information comprises people who are recorded in said group of pictures.

7. The method in Claim 2, wherein said social information comprises objects that are recorded in said group of pictures.

8. The method in Claim 2, wherein said social information comprises user-provided comments.

a metadata receiver adapted to accept metadata input on-screen by said user, said metadata characterizing said group of pictures.

16. The GUI in Claim 2, wherein said social information comprises user-provided comments.